

Rail Shipments

Rail Waybill Data, 1988-1992

Abstract

This database contains public-use, aggregate, non-confidential rail shipment data such as origin and destination points, type of commodity, number of cars, tons, revenue, length of haul, participating railroads, and interchange locations. The data are based on the Carload Waybill Sample, which is a proprietary sample of freight waybills that were submitted to the Interstate Commerce Commission (now the Surface Transportation Board) by Class I Railroads.

Source of Data

Class I Railroads.

Attributes

Geographic Coverage of Data: U.S. Class I Railroads
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Sponsoring Organization

U.S. Department of Transportation, Bureau of Transportation Statistics

Availability

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Rail Shipments From and To Montana, 1994 *

Originated within Montana: major commodities shipped by rail, ranked by weight

Commodity	Tonnage	Percent of state total
Coal	30,583,028	73
Farm products	6,235,488	15
Lumber or wood products	1,566,300	4
Petroleum or coal products	842,928	2
Pulp and paper	586,960	1

Terminated within Montana: major commodities shipped by rail, ranked by weight

Commodity	Tonnage	Percent of state total
Coal	775,134	21
Nonmetallic minerals	492,083	13
Lumber or wood products	338,500	9
Metallic ores	332,992	9
Chemicals	323,308	9

*The five largest (by tonnage terminated and originated) of the 36 two-digit Standard Transportation Commodity Code groupings, and the percentage that commodity represents of all tonnage handled within the state.

SOURCE: Rail Waybill Data, compiled by the DOT Surface Transportation Board (formerly part of the Interstate Commerce Commission) and the DOT Federal Railroad Administration (Washington, DC: 1996).